

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A roof rack comprising:
  - a pair of roof rails extended in parallel each other and connected to a roof of a vehicle;
  - a cross rail for connecting the roof rails;
  - a stopper mechanism including a handle operable for fixing the cross rail to the roof rails, the stopper mechanism comprising a cam member having a projection portion and a contact member, said cam member having a convex portion configured to maintain the projection portion at a stopping position;
  - wherein the cross rail is movable relative to the roof rail when the handle is at a first position and the cross rail is immovable relative to the roof rail when the handle is at a second position;
  - a spring fitted in an attaching groove formed on a holder and inserted into an opening portion of the roof rail to be maintained and a rim portion of the opening portion of the roof rail is sandwiched between the holder and the spring;
  - and wherein the roof rails compressively contact a the holder movable relative to the roof rails upon movement of the contact member relative to the cam member ~~by rotation of the projection portion against the convex portion until reaching the stopping position~~ directly generated by engagement of the projection portion with the convex portion until reaching the stopping position when the handle is at the second position,

and a shaft penetrates holes provided at the central portion of the cam member and the contact member.

2. (Previously Presented) The roof rack according to Claim 1, wherein the roof rails compressively contact by the movement of the contact member when the handle is at the second position.

3. (Cancelled).

4. (Previously Presented) The roof rack according to Claim 1, wherein the holder is compressively contacted with the roof rails by the cam member when the handle is at the second position.

5. (Currently Amended) A roof rack comprising:  
a pair of roof rails extended in parallel to each other and connected to a roof of a vehicle;  
a cross rail for connecting the roof rails; and  
a stopper mechanism including a handle operable for fixing the cross rail to the roof rails, the stopper mechanism comprising a cam member having a convex portion and a contact member having a projection portion for engaging the convex portion rotatably until reaching a stopping position;

wherein the cross rail is movable relative to the roof rail when the handle is at a first position and the cross rail is immovable relative to the roof rail when the handle is at a second position;

and wherein the roof rails compressively contact a holder movable relative to the roof rails upon movement of the contact member relative to the cam member directly generated by engagement of the projection portion with the convex portion until reaching the stopping position when the handle is at the second position, and a shaft penetrates holes provided through central portions of the cam member and the contact member.

6. (Previously Presented) The roof rack according to Claim 5, wherein the roof rails compressively contact by the movement of the contact member when the handle is at the second position.

7. (Cancelled).

8. (Previously Presented) The roof rack according to Claim 5, wherein the holder is compressively contacted with the roof rails by the cam member when the handle is at the second position.